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## **ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE** I-24-95

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
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Change
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[ ] Clarification Requested by
One or More Counties

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## SUBJECT: EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (EA) PROGRAM BUREAU

The purpose of this letter is to announce the creation of a new EA Program Bureau, effective May 1, 1995, within the California Department of Social Services (CDSS). The new Bureau will consist of the EA Policy Unit, the EA Probation Monitoring Unit, and the EA Child Welfare Services (CWS) Monitoring Unit. Previously, the EA Policy Unit was in the CDSS' Children and Family Services Division, and the EA Monitoring Units were in the CDSS' Administration Division. The new EA Program Bureau will be located in the Foster Care Branch of the Children and Family Services Division under the leadership of Francisco A. Sanchez.

Douglas K. Johnson has been appointed Chief of the EA Program Bureau. Michelle Brakebill and A. J. Underwood will continue as the managers of the Probation Monitoring Unit and CWS Monitoring Unit, respectively. However, Nancy Stone, the current manager of the EA Policy Unit, and three of her staff have accepted positions in the Children's Services Branch and will remain in the Children and Family Services Division.

Counties can be assured that the remaining EA staff will be available to provide assistance and guarantee continuity during this transition. Efforts are already underway to fill all vacancies as soon as possible. As soon as the vacancies within the EA Program Bureau are filled, counties will be notified of the new policy analysts' county regional assignments. In the interim, counties may contact the following EA Policy staff for assistance as follows:

John Hanafee - (916) 445-2859
Bay Area Region Probation/Bay Area Region CWS
Assistance to Children in Emergency (ACE)

<u>Judy Miller - (916) 324-2495</u> Southern Region Probation/Southern Region CWS Central Region Probation/Valley Region CWS <u>Shantel Scatena - (916) 445-2886</u>
Northern Region Probation/Northern Region CWS
Sacramento Region Probation/Mountain-Valley Region CWS

The CDSS is looking forward to the merging of the EA Policy and EA Monitoring Units. This merger will provide an opportunity for more efficient management of the EA program as well as increase our ability to respond to the counties' needs. Your cooperation during this reorganization effort is very much appreciated.

If you have any questions about the reorganization, please contact Douglas K. Johnson at (916) 322-5946.

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